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COMPOUNDS FOR THE TREATMENT OF DRY EYE

REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

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SIR:

In response to the Office Action dated January 15, 2004, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the above-identified application in view of the following remarks.

Remarks begin on page 2 of this paper.